# SUNSHINE ORDINANCE TASK FORCE



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# ORDER OF DETERMINATION March 8, 2016

DATE DECISION ISSUED: February 3, 2016

CASE TITLE – Ann Treboux v. San Francisco Arts Commission (File No. 15138)

# FACTS OF THE CASE

On September 24, 2015, Ann Treboux (Complainant) made a complaint alleging that the Arts Commission violated Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section 67.25(a), by failing to respond to an Immediate Disclosure Request in a timely and/or complete manner.

#### HEARING ON THE COMPLAINT

On December 15, 2015, the Compliance and Amendments Committee heard the matter.

Ann Treboux (Complainant) provided a summary of the complaint and requested the Task Force to find violations. There were no speakers in support of the Complainant. Kate Patterson, San Francisco Arts Commission (Respondent), provided a summary of the department's position. Ms. Patterson stated the Immediate Disclosure Request was among 113 requests submitted by Ms. Treboux over the last 188 business days and that there is the possibility of confusion and overlapping of responses. There were no speakers in support of the Respondent. A question and answer period occurred. The Complainant and the Respondent provided rebuttals.

The Committee found that the Arts Commission did not respond to the September 22, 2015 Immediate Disclosure Request by the end of the next business day (the Arts Commission's response was provided on September 24, 2015).

On February 3, 2016, the Task Force reviewed the recommendation of the Committee.

## FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSION OF LAW

Based on the testimony and evidence presented, the Task Force found that there was a violation of Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section 67.25(a).

## **DECISION AND ORDER OF DETERMINATION**

The Sunshine Ordinance Task Force accepts the recommendation of the Compliance and Amendments Committee and finds that the Task Force has jurisdiction and that the Arts Commission violated Administrative Code (Sunshine Ordinance), Section 67.25(a), by failing to respond to an Immediate Disclosure Request in a timely manner.

This Order of Determination was adopted by the Sunshine Ordinance Task Force on July 1, 2015, by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 - Rumold, Eldon, Pilpel, Haines, Hinze, Hyland, Washburn

Noes: 0 - None

Absent: 3 - Wolf, Chopra, Fischer

Allyson Washburn, Chair

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c. Ann Treboux, Complainant
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